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Inventors:

David Andrus and Stephen David Jones

Title:

DEBT FINANCING FOR COMPANIES

Attorney Docket No. 31888/5US

### 1. ENCLOSED ARE THE FOLLOWING:

[X] Return receipt postcard;

[X] Patent specification consisting of:

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Written description (29 pages);

[X] Certificate of Express Mailing (1 page);

Claims (9 pages); and

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[X] This Letter (2 pages);

[X] Informal Drawings (6 sheets).

### 2. CONTINUING APPLICATION INFORMATION

- [X] This application claims priority from U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/243,981, filed October 27, 2000. The entire disclosure of the parent application(s) is/are incorporated herein by reference.
- [X] No Petition For Extension of Time is necessary to render the parent application co-pending with this application.
- [X] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This application claims priority, as a non prov. of provisional of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/243,981, filed October 27, 2000. The entire disclosure of the parent application is incorporated herein by reference

### 3. INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

[X] The following applications and/or documents are incorporated by reference: U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/243,981, filed October 27, 2000,

### 4. FILING FEE

[X] Applicant claims Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27 and 1.28(a).

### CALCULATION OF APPLICATION FILING FEE

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- [X] A check in the amount of \$ 919.00 in payment of the application filing fee is attached.
- [ ] Charge Fee(s) to Deposit Account 50-0324, Order No. 31888/5US.
- [X] The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional required fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-0324, Order No. 31888/5US.

### 5. ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

[X] The application is assigned to Pearl Street Financial Group Ltd..

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# PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R § 1.181 OFFICE TO ACCEPT MISSING DRAWING PREVIOUSLY FILED WITH ORIGINAL APPLICATION

Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.181 and MPEP § 506.02 for entry in the above-identified application of the one sheet of informal drawings attached at Tab 1 in response to the Notice To File Missing Parts (copy attached at Tab 2) issued by the Patent Office on March 11, 2002. In the Notice To File Missing Parts, it was indicated that FIG. 4 of the informal drawings was omitted from the application as filed on October 29, 2001. Contrary to this statement, applicants respectfully submit that FIG. 4 was in fact included in the application as filed and request entry of the attached replacement copy of this drawing.

In support of this Petition, the following items are attached:

at Tab 3, copies of the six sheets of informal drawings filed with the application (these sheets are respectively marked on the back of the sheets as 1 of 6, 2 of 6, 3 of 6, 4 of 6, 5 of 6, and 6 of 6, and each indicate on the back the Express Mail Label Number used to mail the application);

at Tab 4, a copy of the return post card filed with the application (this post card shows the Express Mail Label Number used to mail the application, that six sheets of informal drawings were included, that the papers were accorded the Application Filing Date and Application Number indicated above, and that the post card has not been marked to

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indicate that any of the identified items were missing; this post card is prima facie evidence of receipt of the identified items under MPEP § 503);

at Tab 5, a copy of the Express Mail Label used to mail the application (this Express Mail Label shows the same Express Mail Label Number on the drawings and post card and the "date in" accorded to the application);

at Tab 6, a copy of the Certificate of Express Mailing filed with the application (this Certificate shows that six sheets of drawings were filed using the identified Express Mail Label Number); and

at Tab 7, a copy of the Utility Application and Application Fee Transmittal filed with the application (this Transmittal shows that six sheets of drawings were filed using the identified Express Mail Label Number).

This paper is being filed within two months from the mailing date of the Notice To File Missing Parts as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.181.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge \$130, the fee that is due with this Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h), and to charge any other fees that may be due in connection with this paper, or credit any overpayment or refund of the same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0324. A duplicate copy of this paper (without attachments) is enclosed.

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION VED

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
   A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

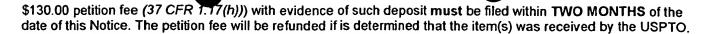
The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

The following item(s) appear to have been **omitted** from the application:

- Figure(s) 4 described in the specification.
- I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and



II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h)) requesting the later filing date must be filed within TWO MONTHS of the date of this Notice.

III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within TWO MONTHS of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the USPTO. THIS TWO MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing date as of the date of deposit of the application papers in the USPTO, and original application papers (i.e., the original disclosure of the invention) will include only those application papers present in the USPTO on the date of deposit.

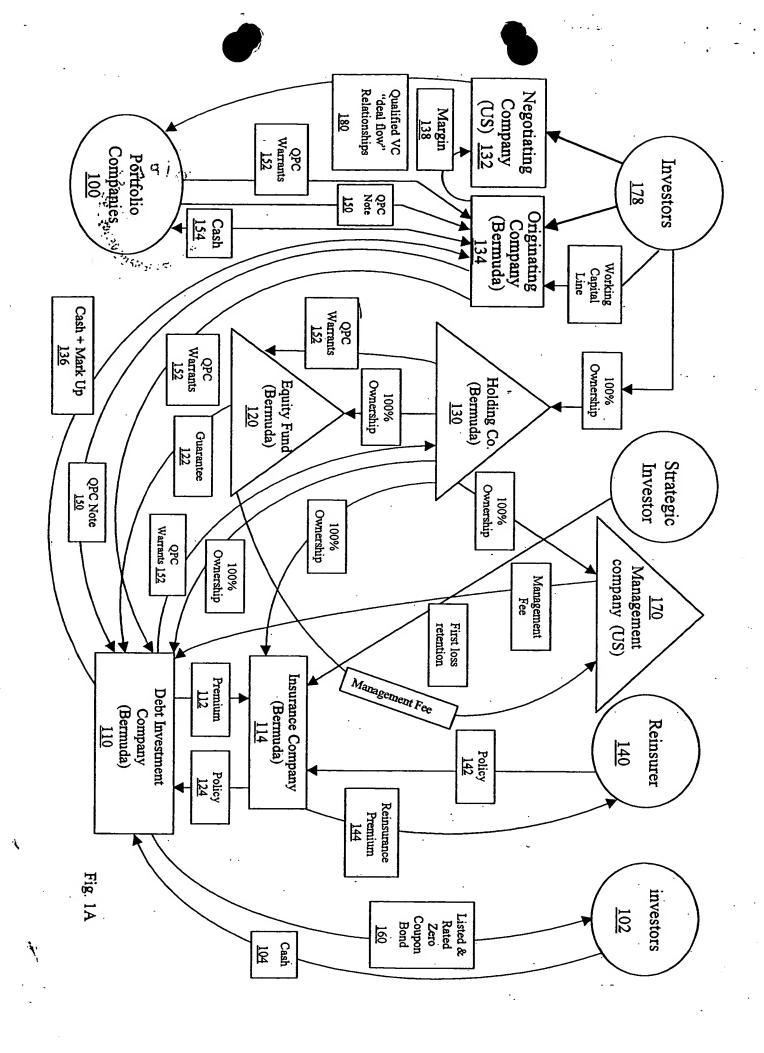
In the event that applicant elects not to take action pursuant to options (I) or (II) above (thereby constructively electing option (III)), amendment of the specification to renumber the pages consecutively and cancel incomplete sentences caused by any omitted page(s), and/or amendment of the specification to cancel all references to any omitted drawing(s), relabel the drawing figures to be numbered consecutively (if necessary), and correct the references in the specification to the drawing figures to correspond with any relabelled drawing figures, is required. Any drawing changes should be accompanied by a copy of the drawing figures showing the proposed changes in red ink. Such amendment and/or correction to the drawing figures, if necessary, should be by way of preliminary amendment submitted prior to the first Office action to avoid delays in the prosecution of the application.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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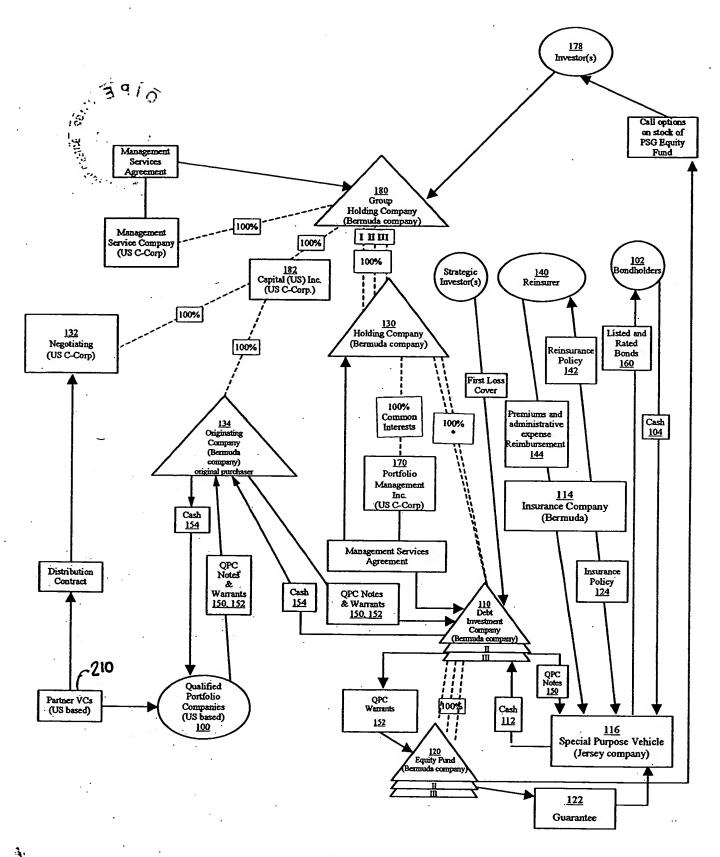


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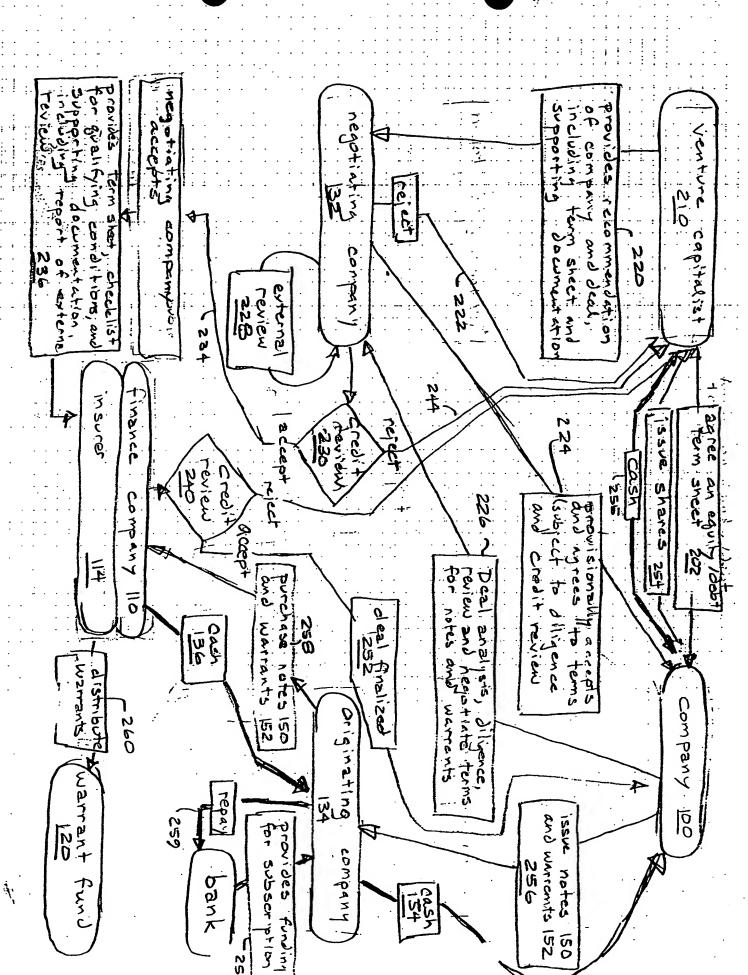
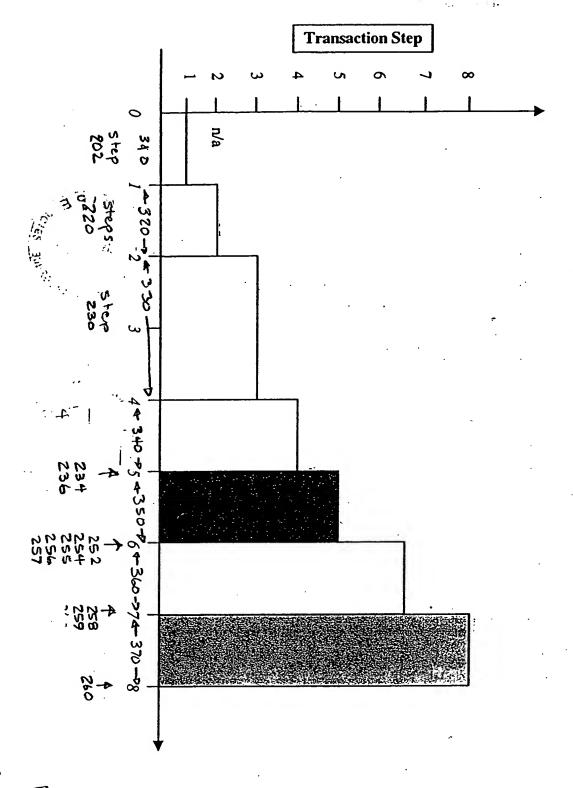
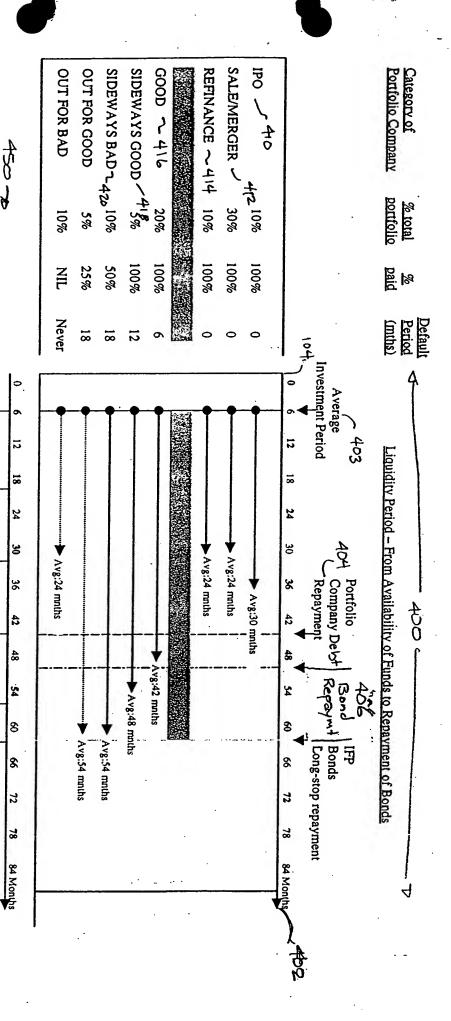


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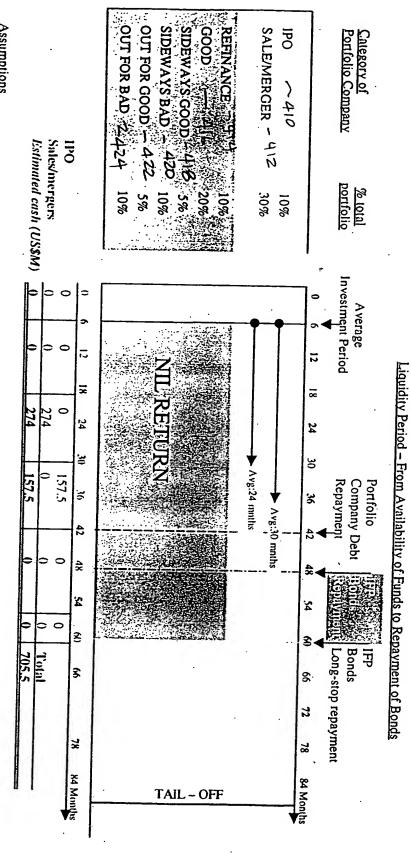
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